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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Hisao YASUHARA et al.

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For: METHODS AND APPARATUSES FOR PRETREATMENT OF METAL SAMPLES

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SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Further to the August 28, 2003 Amendment After Final Rejection, the October 8, 2003 Response to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, and the October 16, 2003 personal interview, the following is submitted:

**Amendments to the Claims** as reflected in the listing of claims; and

**Remarks.**